

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Shibata, et al.

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For: ILLUMINATION APPARATUS

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231



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Examiner: Silbermann, J..

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 16, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please revise the claims to read as follows:**

*A1*  
7. (Amended) An illumination apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said illumination apparatus comprises a scuff plate that will be installed on a side step portion of a car.

*A2*  
14. (Amended) An illumination apparatus according to Claim 8, wherein said illumination apparatus comprises a scuff plate that will be installed on a side step portion of a car.

**Please add the following new claims:**

*AB*  
17. (New) An illumination apparatus comprising:

a case,

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